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Sir:

Applicants have carefully considered the final Office Action mailed November 26, 2004, in connection with the above-captioned application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and remarks that follow is respectfully requested.

This paper includes:

Recitation of the Claims beginning on page 2; and

Remarks beginning on page 5.

Also enclosed herewith are:

- (1) a Petition for Extension of Time by three months, from February 26, 2005, to and including May 26, 2005;
- (2) a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114;
- (3) a Declaration of Gary P. Schroth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131;
- (4) a Revocation and Power of Attorney; and
- (5) Information Disclosure Statement with reference.

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